

SENATE No. 564

By Mr. MacKenzie (by request), a petition of Donald Peterson for legislation to prohibit dual office holding. Election Laws.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Nine.

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT DUAL OFFICE HOLDING.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 54 of the General Laws is hereby
2 amended by inserting after section 161 the following sec-
3 tion: —

4 *Section 162.* Upon being declared elected to a state, county,
5 city or town office, a person shall cease to hold any other elec-
6 tive public office except that of charter commission member
7 or town meeting member and shall notify the appropriate au-
8 thority to that effect. Any vacancy so created shall be filled
9 in the manner provided by law.

1 SECTION 2. Any person holding public office on the effective
2 date of this act shall cease to hold any other public office to
3 which he was previously elected at the expiration of thirty
4 days from the effective date of this act and shall notify the
5 appropriate authority to that effect. The city or town clerk of
6 each city and town shall notify all office holders of the en-
7 actment of this law.

IN SENATE, FEBRUARY 2, 1907.
 REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMISSIONERS OF THE LANDS.

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND SEVEN.

AN ACT TO PROMOTE RURAL SETTLEMENTS.

Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Section 1. Chapter 24 of the General Laws is hereby
 2 amended by inserting after section 141 the following sec-
 3 tion:—

4 Section 142. Upon being declared eligible to a state county,
 5 city or town office, a person shall cease to hold any other elec-
 6 tive public office except that of charter commissioner, member
 7 of town meeting, and shall notify the appropriate au-
 8 thority to that effect. Any vacancy so created shall be filled
 9 in the manner provided by law.

1 Section 2. Any person holding public office on the effective
 2 date of this act shall cease to hold any other public office to
 3 which he was previously elected at the expiration of thirty
 4 days from the effective date of this act and shall notify the
 5 appropriate authority to that effect. Thirty or more days of
 6 each city and town shall notify all other holders of the of-
 7 ficial of this law.